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Proposed Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's communication mailed on June 3, 2003, Applicants submit the following proposed amendments and remarks. A petition for a three-month extension of time and authorization to charge the appropriate fee to our deposit account to extend the period for response to December 3, 2003, are also submitted herewith. Please enter the following amendments to the application.

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Amendments to the claim are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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